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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated May 11, 2007, and the Advisory Action dated October 11, 2007, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper. An **Appendix** including a marked-up copy and clean copy of the Substitute Specification including all changes made in the present amendment is attached following page 31 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 20 of this paper.

Exhibit A is attached following page 31 of this paper.